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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-December, through Sunday, 16th-December there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XF4, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/R, ROTUMA

Tony, 3D2AG, reportedly has made it to Rotuma Island and has been busy with his work assignment. By the time you read this he should be active as 3D2AG/p until end of January. Logs will be sent to Sam, FK8DD, and will be posted on:

http://www.3d2ag.fr.tc/

3Y, BOUVET ISLAND (AN-002)

Operator Petrus, ZS6GCM, is expected to be active as 3Y/ZS6GCM from Bouvet Island, probably for the next three months. He is with a five member team on the island and is their medic. The operator does have a vertical antenna for 40/20/15/10 meters but no amplifier. He is also a newly licensed amateur and has no experience in pile-ups. So, please go easy on him. Activity will be during his spare time only.

3 STEVE'S & W1AW

Once again the famous 3 Steve's (Steve/KF2TI, Steve/ N2IFA, Steve/KB2ENF and Kurt/W2MW [aka Steve]) will be guests operating at the ARRL station, W1AW, Wednesday December 26th, from 1700-2045z. This is their 15th annual WAS (Worked All Steve's) DXpedition to Newington, and they will be operating the following bands:

30m CW - Kurt (aka Steve)
40/20/15m SSB - Steve, Steve and Steve
17/10m - Andrew/N2IFB and Eric/K2EMZ will also be operating as "Steves"

Steve/KF2TI, states, "Hopefully condx will improve, and we will try to listen for outside the US. Packet spots will be posted." If you work any 3 operators, they will send you a beautiful, full color WAS (Worked All Steve's) certificate (suitable for framing). No QSL is needed as they will have copies of the log and send out a certificate to all those who qualify. If you want a W1AW QSL card, please send to them direct or via the bureau. The logs will be posted after January 1st on their website:

http://the3stevesarc.org/

PLEASE NOTE: This is not an officially sanctioned ARRL event. It is run for fun by the 3 Steves Amateur Radio Association - WK3SS (all rights reserved), and they are responsible for the printing and sending of the 3 Steve's and a Kurt Worked All Steve's certificate (suitable for framing). Steve/KF2TI, states, "We would like to thank the ARRL for allowing us to play with their great toys and putting up with us each year. Hope to work you then."

5H, TANZANIA

Pat, W8FV, will be returning to Mwanza sometime this week (possibly December 20th) and is expected to be active as 5H9PD until he returns stateside January 12th. Activity will be mostly on CW on 40-10 meters depending on propagation. He is going to try 80 meters but with only just 100 watts, and he doesn't know how successful he will be. He will also be active on PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

6W & J5, SENEGAL AND GUINEA-BISSAU

Peter, HA3AUI, will once again be active from Africa and will also activate again both Senegal (as 6W2SC) and Guinea-Bissau (as J5UAP), between January 15th and April 15th. His activity from Senegal (6W) will be mostly Digital with some SSB on 160-6 meters. Activity from Guinea-Bissau (J5) will be on 30-10 meters. His operations will be limited to his spare time and possibly other available longer periods. QSL via HA3AUI direct, by the bureau, LoTW or e-QSL.

7P, LESOTHO

Belgium operators and members of the Radio Club Secunda will be active as 7P8FC from Katsdam between March 27th and April 1st (2008). Operators/members mentioned are Filip/ON4AEO, Kath/ON7BK, Gert/ ZS6GC, Sid/ZS5AYC, Lucas/ZS6ACT, Tom/ZS6TMO, Adele/ZR6AP, Steffi and Elna. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. Here are the following suggested frequencies and modes:

SSB - 3780, 7063, 14185, 18136, 21290, 24930 and 28490 kHz
RTTY - 3590, 7040, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24924 and 28084 kHz
PSK - 7038, 14072, 18102, 21072, 24922 and 28122 kHz

QSL via ON4CJK. More details will be forthcoming once their new Web site is complete at:
http://www.7p8fc.be

C4, CYPRUS

Look for members of the Pafos District of the Cyprus Amateur Radio Society (CARS) to be active as C4EURO throughout the new year in 2008. Activity is to celebrate the official currency of the Republic of Cyprus changing from the Cyprus Pound to the Euro on January 1st. Look for operations to be on the HF and VHF bands, CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via 5B4AGC.

E4, PALESTINE

Operators Mike/OM2DX, Steve/OM3JW, Rudy/OM3PC and Miro/ OM5RW are now active as E4/OM2DX until December 22nd. As this was being written, they were pleasing many on 160 and 40 meters. Look for them to be active on all bands from 160-10m using CW, SSB and RTTY with two stations. QSL via OM3JW. Updates and online logs are available at:

http://www.om2dx.com/e4.html

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Story Wrap-up)

The complete story wrap-up and QSL information on the recent DXpedition to the South Cook Islands by George/K5KG (E51MMM) and Ron/KK9K (E51NNN) that took place between November 12th and December 1st, is available at: http://e51mmm.blogspot.com Their operation was on all HF bands, primarily on CW and some SSB. They concentrated as much as possible on 160m and 80m. They also operated as E51A, Multi-Two in the CQWW CW Contest, November 24-25th.

E100, IRELAND

Look for special event station EI100SI to be active from January 1st to December 31st, 2008, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts in Ireland. QSL route will be posted on **(QRZ.com)**.

FO/M, MARQUESAS ISLANDS

Operators Jouko/OH1RX, Pertti/OH2PM, Veijo/OH6KN and Juha/OH8NC will be active from Nuku Hiva (OC-027), January 9-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a maximum of three stations running. However, they plan to concentrate on 160-30 meters. Here are the following suggested frequencies:

CW - 1822, 3502, 3523, 7008, 7023, 10108, 14008, 14023, 18068, 21008, 21023,

24898 and 28008 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3790, 7050, 19195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 14080, 21080 and 28070 kHz

A Web page and callsigns will be announced later. QSL via OH2PM, direct or by the bureau.

GP4, GUERNSEY (EU-114)

Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (GW4BRS) will activate the special club callsign/prefix GP4BRS on a number of bands and modes from April 19-26th (2008). The team so far includes club members from Wales and Germany, Glyn/GW0ANA, Curtis/MW0USK, Markus/DL9RCF, Alois/DL8RBL and Franz/DJ9ZB. QSL route is direct via manager GW0ANA or RSGB Bureau.

IOTA NEWS

NA-009. Hisato, JA1DOT, is expected to be active as VY0/JA1DOT from (Zone 2) Resolute Bay, Cornwallis Island, between December 18-27th. Emphasis will be on the lower bands, SSB, CW and RTTY using a vertical antenna with 500w. Hisato does have a Web on his 2001 Dxpedition to Resolute Bay at:

http://www1.famm.ne.jp/~ndxa/pedi/vy0-2001/vy0-2001.html

NA-128

Operator Igor, VE3ZF, will be active as a VE2IDX from Orleans Island (CISA QC-007) on December 28-29th during the RAC Canada Winter Contest. Before and after the contest he will use his regular callsign VE3ZF/2. His main suggested frequencies are 14260 kHz (daytime) and 3795/7260 kHz (during the night). SKEDs are welcome via: Igor.Slakva_at_smithsdetection.com This is a good chance to start working for the Canadian Islands Trophy (CISA Award program). Rules concerning the CISA Award program can be found at:

http://www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa

QSL via VE3ZF: Igor Slakva, 105 La Rose Avenue, PH #1410, Etobicoke, Ontario, M9P 1A9 Canada.

OC-142

Steve, G0UIH, will be active as VK2IAY/4 from Great Keppel Island, December 16-22nd. Activity will be centered around 14260 kHz, with the possibility of some operations on 17/15 meters also. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Check out the following Web site for further details at:

http://www.percy.me.uk

LZ130, BULGARIA (Special Event)

Members of the Balkan Contest Club LZ1KZA (LZ5A) will actiavte the special event callsign LZ130LO from January 1st to March 31st (2008). Activity is to commemorate the 130th anniversary of the liberation of Bulgaria from Ottoman yoke by Russia. QSL to LZ1KZA via Bureau. QSLs are printed by Gold Print Service -

http://www.lz3hi.com

A special award will be issued: European stations must establish 5 two-way contacts with LZ130LO on different bands or different modes, (for DX stations - 3 contacts). The same rules are for SWLs. The fee for the Award is 5 EUROs or 10 IRCs. Mail to: Balkan Contest Club LZ1KZA, P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo , Bulgaria.

Amateur radio stations from Russia and countries whose solders took part in Russo-Turkish War of 1877-1878, like part of the Russian army will receive the award free of charge. These countries are: Armenia, Belarus, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine. For these 14 countries the awards will be send to their national QSL Bureaus. Also, a QSO with LZ130LO counts for 10 points towards the "St. Teodosii Tyrnovski Award":

http://www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm

PLEASE NOTE - See the following Web sites for info on the war:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russo-Turkish_War_%281877%E2%80%931878%29

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treaty_of_San_Stefano

NEW AWARD AVAILABLE

Paco, EA5OL, informs OPDX that there is a new award available. Details of the new "WORLDLAKES Award" can be found on the Web site at:

http://worldlakes.info

NEW DXPEDITION VIDEOS AVAILALBE

James Brooks, 9V1YC, has released two new DXpeditions videos. They are the 2007 BS7H Scarborough Reef DXpedition and the 2006 ZL8R Raoul (Kermadec) Island DXpedition videos. These videos will provide a look at a superb behind the scenes (as well as dangerous and successful) DXpeditions. If these videos are anything like James' previous videos (which were great!), they will be a great holiday gift for the DXer in your family or DX friend, or even for your DX club's viewing. Videos are only 25 USDs. These two new videos (and his previous videos) are available at:

http://www.dxvideos.com

OOOPPPSSS DEPARTMENT

Two small corrections to OPDX.836. Under "CU2, AZORES" a Web link was left out. The Web site should be:

http://ea1fch.ure.es/log_novo.htm

Also, under "SATELLITE DX REPORT (by John, K8YSE)" the AO7 satellite is an CW/SSB satellite (not an FM/SSB satellite as stated).

PA, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event Callsigns)

Look for the following special event Christmas callsigns to be activated in The Netherlands between December 20th and January 6th (2008). There will be 8 special event callsigns activated. QSL route for each special event station is via the operator. The following stations are also valid for the "Christmas 2007 Award"

(See info at: http://www.pg7v.net/xmas2007):

Callsigns	Operators/QSL Managers	Callsigns	Operators/QSL Managers
PA07XMAS	PG7V	PD08HNY	PD0EMR
PC07XMAS	PA3AM	PF07XMAS	PA1WLB
PD07SANTA	PD0AT	PG07XMAS	PA7JWC
PD07XMAS	PD2J	PH07XMAS	PA4CHE

PZ, SURINAME

Operators Stan/AC8W, Hank/K8DD, Jim/KB8TXZ and Jay/W5JAY will be operating from the QTH of Ramon/PZ5RA, February 13-18th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters that will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators are currently awaiting for their callsigns. QSL info will be announced at a later date.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL MANAGER FOUND (Update): Kelly, N0VD, reports: "Given the amount of guys that have offered their QSL managerial services, I thought it best to reply to the list rather than individually as I'm still getting offers. I was amazed at the caliber of managers that stepped forward. It was a tough decision, but I have chosen Joe Arcure, W3HNK, as my new manager. Joe seemed the best fit, and I have no doubts he will do a bang up job of cleaning up my backlog and tending to new requests in a timely manner. So, beginning immediately please send all QSL requests to W3HNK for the following calls: **KE9KD, N0VD, VP5/N0VD, VP5D (2005 - present only for my QSOs. Joe also manages the original VP5D call holder), J3/N0VD, PJ2/N0VD and PJ4/N0VD**. I have a handful of direct QSLs that I will be replying to shortly. If you have sent a bureau card for any of the above calls, it will be forwarded to Joe, and you should have a reply back to your bureau soon. Thanks for everybody's patience while the backlog is cleared up, and thanks to everybody for their offer. Please spread the word. 73 Kelly - N0VD"

QSLS VIA LOTW: 3X5A, T30R and T33RD

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B7C, 5X1NH, 8Q7GS, A52AM, F5KAQ/P, HQ9R, JW/G3SXW, K3B, KH7XS, NH7O, RK1B/p, TA3J/0, TC2K4J, XW1A, Z36A, ZB2X, ZD7X and ZL3RG

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CS2P, CU2A, GB6WW, GB8RU, KG9N/VP9, VE3SY and VE6FI

S0, WESTERN SAHARA

Fernando, EA1BT, has been active as S05A over the past few days on 40/20 meters SSB. His length of stay is not known. QSL via EA1BT.

TN, REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Phil, 9Q1TB, showed up this past weekend as TN/9Q1TB/p on 17 and 20 meters SSB. Gabe, KP4BJD, who talked to him, was told that Phil is only running 30 watts and a "low profile antenna" from Impfondo (his QTH) on the bank of the Ubangi River. He is expected to return to Kinshasa this coming Tuesday. QSL via SM5DJZ.

V5, NAMIBIA (Topband Activity)

Uli, DJ2YA, has announced that Frank, V51AS, will be active on Topband on 1826 kHz +/-, December 22nd and 23rd.

V6, MICRONESIA

Kazu/JA0VSH and his XYL Miyuki/JG0PBJ will be taking their New Year vaction on Pohnpei Islands (OC-010), Micronesia, between December 28th, and January 3rd (2008). Kaz will operate as V63KZ and Miyuki as V63MP. Also, they will use the club callsign V63BBQ. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW and SSB. No RTTY this time, but Kazu is interested in 160m and will use a 500w amp. Send all QSLs direct to JA0VSH: Kazuhide MARUYAMA, 1-25-49 Iruma, Chofu, Tokyo 182-0004 Japan.

XT, BURKINA FASO

Michael, F1IQH, is now active as XT2WC from Bobo Dioulasso until January 5th. Activity so far has been on 20 meters SSB (14145, 14175 and 14220 kHz). Watch after 0800z and again 1500z. QSL via F1IQH.

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER **

The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number.
Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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please send mail to me via " **kb8nw@arrl.net** "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUEST:

Help: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:help
Subscribe: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:subscribe
Unsubscribe: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:unsubscribe

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE (k8yse@papays.com):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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